

Title (en)
Radial tyre having a tread provided with sub-circumferential longitudinal grooves

Title (de)
Radialer Luftreifenlauffläche mit Rillen in Umfangsrichtung

Title (fr)
Pneumatique radial ayant des rainures longitudinales en direction circonférencielle

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Abstract (en)
[origin: EP0522416A1] The tread pattern (3) of a radial tyre for motor-vehicles offering high performance comprises oblique longitudinal grooves (7), inclined to the circumferential direction of the tyre by an angle included between 2 DEG and 20 DEG , the opposite ends (7h, 7k) of said grooves being axially offset relative to one another: all grooves may be inclined (7) in the same direction or may converge (9), preferably symmetrically, towards the meridian plane of the tyre, specifically for directional patterns. The longitudinal grooves (7) are associated with a plurality of transverse grooves (8) exhibiting their central portion inclined in the opposite way relative to the longitudinal grooves, according to an angle included between 30 DEG and 80 DEG , with respect to the circumferential tyre direction. The combination of the longitudinal (7) and transverse (8) grooves according to the established inclinations confines plugs (6) developing, on the tyre contact-area, tangential forces generally combining with one another thereby generating a resultant force having the axial component (drift force) of substantially zero value. <IMAGE>

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